



Pentecost Continues...

1. **The Book of Acts** covers the first 40 years of the Church.
2. **The Book of Revelation** covers the next 2,000 years of the Church and beyond.
3. **The Book of Acts continues** today because Pentecost will continue until the Rapture.
4. **Acts 4:32-37** Barnabas along with other new Christians sold properties and gave the money to work of the Church.
5. **Chapter 5** It is about faith and how in this new community generosity explodes, and how falsehood wants to destroy and corrupt the foundations of the faith.

Acts 5:1-6

Acts Revealing Kindness

1. **God's love reveals** the new believer's heart and the capacity to give.
2. **Kindness reveals** our attitude toward God and others.
3. **V: 3 Reveals** evil's hostility toward kindness & God's zero tolerance for falsehood.
4. **The Church** while coming under attack from the world, will continue to grow in faith & numbers, because of God's grace and the kindness within the fellowship.
5. **The Church** is only harmed when the fellowship from within grows ungodly, unbiblical, and unkind.

Acts 5:7-10

The Door of Death

1. **The Door of deception lies** to us about its gain, even when the truth would have been an easier action, producing a genuine gain in our faith.

2. **Self-deception** happens when you assess God's heart with unbiblical assumptions.

Acts 5:11 & 14-16

Which Door has your attention?

1. **The door of fear** can hold you captive as a prisoner of deception, or it can be a reminder of our need of perfect love.
2. **The door of truth** will set you free and bring you to clarity, freedom, stability, and introduce you to the door of life.
3. **The door of life** brings you to Jesus.

Acts 5:17-29

The Door of Freedom

1. **V:30-39** Your new freedom in Christ will influence the influencer.
2. **(34)** But a Pharisee named Gamaliel, a teacher of the law, who was honored by all the people, stood up in the Sanhedrin and ordered that the men be put outside for a little while.

We must obey God rather than human beings!

Acts 5:30-39

Or you will find yourselves only fighting against God.

Acts 5:40-42

The Faith Door (Christ)

John 10:9-10 **I am the door.** If anyone enters by Me, he will be saved, and will go in and out and find pasture. **10** The thief does not come except to steal, and to kill, and to destroy. I have come that they may have life, and that they may have *it* more abundantly.

Revelation 3:20 Here I am! **I stand at the door and knock.** If anyone hears my voice and opens the door, I will come in and eat with that person, and they with me.

Revelation 3:7 "To the angel of the church in Philadelphia write: These are the words of him who is holy and true, who holds the key of David. What he opens no one can shut, and what he shuts no one can open.

Revelation 3:8 I know your deeds. See, I have placed **before you an open door** that no one can shut. I know that you have little strength, yet you have kept my word and have not denied my name.